

## **Railway Reservation**

The railway reservation system facilitates the passengers to enquire about the trains available based on source and destination, booking and cancellation of tickets, enquire about the status of the booked ticket, etc. To design and develop a database maintaining the records of different trains, train status, and passengers. The record of train includes its number, name, source, destination, and days on which it is available, whereas record of train status includes dates for which tickets can be booked, total number of seats available, and number of seats already booked. Passengers can book their tickets for the train in which seats are available. For this, passenger must provide the desired train number and the date for which ticket is to be booked. Before booking a ticket for a passenger, the validity of train number and booking date is checked. Once the train number and booking date are validated, it is checked whether the seat is available. If yes, the ticket is booked with confirm status and corresponding ticket ID is generated which is stored along with other details of the passenger. After all the available tickets are booked, certain numbers of tickets are booked with waiting status. If waiting lot is also finished, then tickets are not booked and a message of non-availability of seats is displayed. The ticket once booked can be cancelled at any time. For this, the passenger must provide the ticket ID (the unique key). The ticket ID is searched, and the corresponding record is deleted. With this, the first ticket with waiting status also gets confirmed.

### **List of Assumption**

Since the reservation system is very large in reality, it is not feasible to develop the case study to that extent and prepare documentation at that level. Therefore, a small sample case study has been created to demonstrate the working of the reservation system. To implement this sample case study, some assumptions have been made, which are as follows:

1. The number of trains has been restricted to 5.
2. The booking is open only for next seven days from the current date.
3. Only two categories of tickets can be booked, namely, *AC* and *General*.
4. The total number of tickets that can be booked in each category (*AC* and *General*) is 10.
5. The total number of tickets that can be given the status of waiting is 2.
6. The in-between stoppage stations and their bookings are not considered.